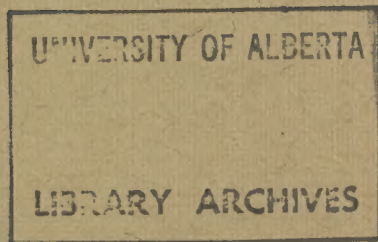


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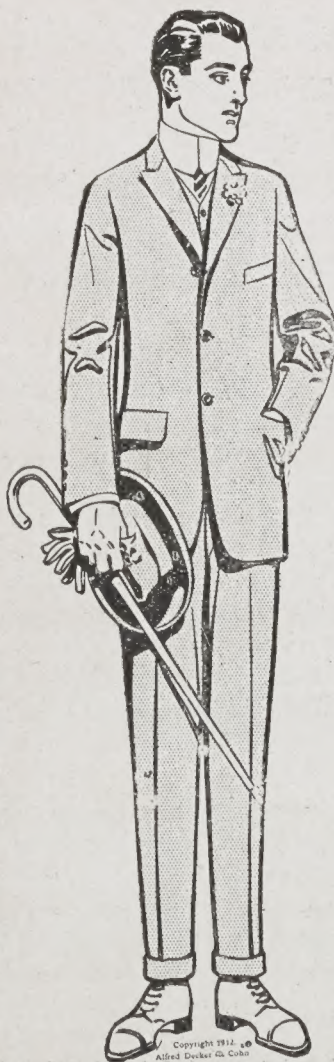


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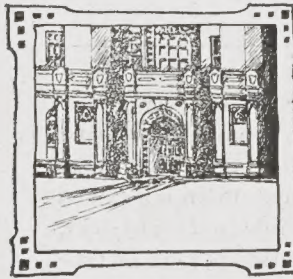
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TO THE CLASS OF 1916

Welcome, a thousand times welcome!

The greeting rises easily, naturally, to our lips when at the opening of the college year the new student guest knocks for admission at our gates.

"Welcome"—Yes, but why welcome and welcome to what? The University is no place for doing naively, automatically, the traditional, habitual thing; it is the place for question, for reflection, for justification by reason and experiment.

Welcome, why? Because the University looks upon you who seek her halls as being in general those amongst their fellows who are the most ambitious, the most intellectually curious, the most spiritually alive; as being those who appreciate most the superlative value of training, who are willing to subject themselves to a long term of study and discipline.

Welcome, to what? To four years of work and play, reading and thought; to a time of retreat at the formative age during which you may have leisure and opportunity to broaden, to deepen, to grow calm within; a season devoted to an all-sided development, to the enlargement of your whole self—physical, social, intellectual, spiritual. The results of this period of retirement—whether it be wasted or utilized—will probably bend your career in some definite direction, must leave an indelible mark on your character, ought to give you new views of life and its purposes.

Welcome! Again a thousand times welcome!

W. A. R. KERR.

A Senior's Welcome

Ye who are come to our class-rooms, in from your homes
[scattered far
And have made the attainment of knowledge your guiding star
List to this warning I pray.
Glad we receive you as fellows, into our heaven of thought,
And our clubs for improving the talent that you have brought.

But think not our hours are of pleasure: this is a strenuous life
Filled with mental and spiritual struggles, and testing strife

On the fields where the athletes play.
Students of brain and muscle, students of courage and worth
Are the kind we demand; and we make them rulers of the earth.

J. B.

THE WORLD AT LARGE

Seems to have survived the lack of good reading matter during the vacation. In fact it has sent us several very interesting visitors. The short stay of H.R.H. the Governor General in Edmonton, reminds one that the world still has a place in its economy and its heart for the able soldier. The present disturbances in the Balkans may perhaps be taken as indicating too, that fighting may still be as necessary to the achievement of high ends as it was in times which have now become heroic. But still, the fact that the Duke of Connaught is now occupied with the hum-drum task of civil government seems to suggest that there are interests which we are inclined nowadays to take more seriously than fighting. The members of the Eugenics Conference and Mr. Henry Vivian, M.P., who also visited Edmonton recently, tell us that a more immediate method of self-preservation is to take care how we breed and how we live. English visitors to Western Canada seem to be reminded of Dickens' description of London in the throes of the expansion which followed the advent of the railways half a century ago. The problem of developing "estates" is not confined to Western Canada. The sight of honest prairies cut up with a T square into thirty-three foot "lots" seems to conjure up for them visions of tenements and slums and monotonous rows of "villas" of the sort that made Stevenson wish that the population of Edinburgh "would arise like one man and make the night hideous with arson". It apparently reminds them too of better things that have grown up in Germany and England since that unhappy period. Bourneville and Post Sunlight and the Hampstead Garden Suburb, seem to fill them with hope of what we may do here in Canada where we have a clean slate. We, who live on rectangular "lots" and water in "back-yards" might do well to realize that it has been just such phenomena that have called for still another new science, and that, if we are not careful, effete old England and barbarous Australia will have

done with their two talents what we might have achieved so easily with our five.

The "Quarterly Review" for April has a most interesting article on this subject by Mr. Vivian, while "Conservation," the new organ of the Dominion Commission of Conservation, publishes in its September number a description of the site and a copy of the plan which have been decided upon for the Federal Capital of Australia.



The trouble with the "Sick Man" of Europe seems to be that he is really too gray and respectable to be decently asphyxiated; he is just as unmanageable as he was a hundred years ago, and it would still be very difficult for his European guardians to agree upon anyone to fill his place. As he has been a cruel foster father so he seems not overfond of some of his Bulgarian grandchildren, and now his own unnatural offspring seem to have conspired against him for their children's sake, and to be determined to murder him in the face of their bewildered god-parents, the great powers. Now that they have begun, it is to be hoped that Servia and Bulgaria at least will come to the rescue of their little old brother, Montenegro, and help King Nicholas to do the thing decently. Certainly the powers could not have hoped to choose a more shrewd physician than that sturdy old poet and soldier hero who has brought a barbarous but freedom-loving people to a state of comparative enlightenment and military efficiency in one generation. Certainly evidence is no longer lacking that the Slavonic peoples who live in the Balkans are capable of becoming civilized and behaving decently without either the grandmotherly attentions of Russia, or the stern paternal rule of the Sultan and his agents. To be sure, from the lay point of view the dealings of Europe with the Sublime Porte have been much more "rational" than the "pound of flesh" principles upon which European diplomatists usually act, or, on the other hand, this "brutish fighting," as the "Outlook" phrases it. But their moral suasion and these merely "rational" dealings do not seem to have solved the Eastern question, and

it begins to look at last as if we must resort to one or the other of the time-honoured methods, diplomatic jugglery and commonplace war. Of course, it is not in the least probable that the young Balkan nations will be able to settle the business without some friendly advice from the Greeks and the Roumanians and a good deal of coaching from the Great Powers. Certainly it is not probable that they could, were they successful, in a satisfactory manner what should be done with the Bosphorus, which, after all, is the most important strategic point in Europe. So, should the "Sick Man" get what he deserves, the curatorship of the Dardanelles will be a vacant post. Let us hope that it will be filled by an appointment from The Hague. Of course, seeing that more than three-fifths of the commercial traffic through the Dardanelles is English, and that the other two-fifths is shared by the rest of European nations, we should be obliged to take care that we had a share in the voting. But then that is a long way off, for unless the eagle snatches the Panama question from their clutches, the gentlemen at The Hague will probably have to work overtime for some years to come.



Of all the "Imperial" movements to which the last ten years have given birth none is of more immediate interest to people living in Western Canada than the agitation which was set on foot last year by the Royal Colonial Institute in its attempt to bring some order and system into the present system of distributing the emigration from Great Britain through the various parts of the Empire. The "Life-Blood of the Empire" as the Review of Reviews phrases it, is the Anglo-Saxon Stock, and people in England are beginning to realize, as the Colonies have realized for many a long day, that it would be better and happier for all concerned if we filled our vacant spaces with British people rather than people from Central Europe. Charity, if that be the right word, begins at home, and while there are in the neighborhood of 250,000 children under sixteen in receipt of relief from the public funds in England, it does not seem quite necessary for Canada and Australia to usurp the charitable

office whiche the United States assumed nearly a century ago. Our vacant spaces may be a haven of refuge for the destitute and oppressed of the old world; but why should we not make them an opportunity for our own fellow subjects who now consume unproductively public funds to the tune of \$100. to \$500. per person per year? It seems but rational to believe that the importation of healthy British boys and girls, without capital would be as economic as the importation of a similar number of ignorant if not vicious adults from Central and Southern Europe, equally without capital. At any rate it would be a saving to the rate-payers of the Britlsh Isles upon whom the bulk of the expense of defending the Empire, as well as of conducting its foreign relations, must for the present fall. Mr. John Burns, the presdient of the Local Government Board in whose province the administration of the Poor Law lies has shown himself friendly to the proposal for establishing an Imperial Emigration Committee which should attempt to balance the supply and demand for Brisish blood and British labour, as the Imperial Defence Committee has begun to show us our common interest in and our common duties in respect of British Territory. Were our great empty spaces in the four self-governing Dominion filled with prosperous or even semi-prosperous people of British blood, they would no longer be a bait for German cupidity. Were we to bring some system of transposing suitable people from an overcrowded labor-market to those where the supply is whoefully small, certain economic problems which both the mother country and the colonies have to face would at least be on the way to a rational solution. Any system under the control or supervision of the Government would be better than our present method of abandoning the life-blood of the empire to the railways and the United States.



At the Congress of the Universities of the Empire, held in London during the first week in July last, fifty-two institutions were represented. Some significance attaches to the conference in that it was undoubtedly the first attempt to focus the intellect

of the Empire on an intellectual object. Possibly its most immediate and successful result was to awaken academic leaders in England to the real vitality and earnestness of allied schools of learning in the Overseas Dominions. Only those who have lived in England know how little information is current about the scholastic activities, for instance, of Canada. An older culture is obviously and invariably more self-sufficient than a new one, and it is hardly too much to say that without the Congress the greater loss would have been on the side of the home institutions. Although no issue was arrived at on any one of the numerous topics introduced, it was made fairly clear that in England some definite organization of graduate study must be undertaken, if the affinity of home Universities with Universities abroad is to be close and binding and not remain, what it to a great extent now is, nominal or accidental. Otherwise the Rhodes Trust will remain the only channel by which, say, Australian students will be tempted to continue work at English universities. Those who come to Europe independently will undoubtedly prefer Germany with its organised research and accessible doctorate. The question of an Imperial standard of matriculation and the like seemed slightly less urgent and in many ways impracticable. Regarded merely as a tonic for jaded professional needs, the conference was amply justified. Socially its appeal to uncloyed palates from fresher lands was overwhelming. It is probable that a second gathering on similar lines will be held five years hence.



EDITORIAL

At the beginning of the year, one of our first and most pleasant duties is to extend a welcome to all.

The new members of the staff are welcome, not only for the benefit to be derived from their wide experience and ripe scholarship; but also for the friendships that will be formed between students and staff, the pleasant memory of which will always remain with us.



Our affiliated colleges from which we derive so much inspiration and support, are this year showing the same progressive spirit that has made them such important factors in the development and growth of educational ideals in our province.

Both start the new year with increased staffs and larger and better facilities for the accommodation of their students. The friendly rivalry, which exists between the University and the Colleges, not only emphasizes the cordial relations existing between them; but has also done much to develop sport in our city. It is unnecessary for us to say that we welcome them most heartily and sincerely.



The "awkward squad" have been welcomed by Dr. Kerr on our front page, and just as enthusiastically if not in such a dignified manner by the Somophores. They are bigger and better looking than ever, and we are proud of them.

They are a little doubtful about the advisability of so many sessional exams and state that they are willing to accept the appointment of the professors to the staff, as proof of their ability, and hope that the professors will consider the freshmen's attendance at University, as fulfilling all requirements for class standing. Should this cordial relationship be established between them, they feel that life will be one long sweet song,



In our next issue we are to have an article from P. J. Nolan, K.C., on "University Life in Ireland." We have no hesitation in promising the readers of the "Gateway" one of the most interesting articles of the year.

AN APPRECIATION

By W. DAVIDSON '13.

During the four years that the University has been established in the capital of the North, words of appreciation have not been lavishly given. This may be characteristic of the West. It may be characteristic of students in general. It certainly is a mark of omission that no one cares to have attached to his name.

Due notice has been taken of the value of the University to the real estate market of the community. And it has helped a little. Interesting and amusing remarks have been made about the location of the University, the brains being on the south side of the river. In general, there may be truth in the remarks. Credit has been given for the quality of the product up-to-date of our Alma Mater. And we are proud of them. The press records the doings of the Athletics of the Varsity. The write-ups make good reading. But—often the steady, plodding uphill, foundation-laying work, the work that kills, is never heard tell of and appreciated late in the day.

For the better part of a year, daily a diver worked in the basement of Winchester Cathedral, strengthening the foundation of the ancient structure. When the work was completed royalty attended the reopening ceremony. In the work of the University of Alberta, it will be long before the top-stone can be laid or the golden key presented. Now is the day when a word of appreciation counts for more than a volume of eulogy.

These last four years have left their mark. It is plainly written on the community. The University itself shows the same. In time, however, the mark will be made deeper and more permanent. The University looks for its students to do this. That is one way of showing appreciation. It may be done without word or speech, without striving or crying. The consistent attitude of a true man and woman will do all that is needful.

A fine group of buildings are beginning to show upon the sky-line. This is how it appears looking over the river Saskatchewan from the turn of the road in front of the new and handsome Parliament House. One would expect that ignorance as to what buildings they are would be carefully concealed not only by the humble citizen but even by the man of affairs. Yet less than a year ago a group of well-dressed men were overheard asking for information about the identity of the same buildings.

Students, too, are lacking in appreciation. They may know its curriculum, but may be blind, almost hopelessly blind to the meaning of it all.

It is that meaning of education that President Tory toils for, —the meaning of a broad developed manhood. Don't forget it.



OUR CLUBS and SOCIETIES

The Dramatic Society of the University of Alberta

A little over a year the Dramatic Society of the University of Alberta was founded by the members of the University who felt that the time was ripe to bring together those who were interested in the development of the drama. The aims of the Society have been not only to stimulate a desire for a closer acquaintance with the work of play-writers, but also to strengthen the ties of friendship being formed among those representing the most diverse interests in the University.

The students of the Department of Modern Languages who were so successful last spring in their public presentation of a play, have decided to become a part of the Society. All feel that this will be of great advantage in the upbuilding of the dramatic society.

During the last academic year some plans were discussed, looking towards the presentation of a play this year; and it is believed that a good modern play can be staged. Last year some of the members of the Society showed marked ability in the interpretation of the plays that were read at their meetings. With this year's increase in numbers and ability there ought to be but little trouble in getting enough to act acceptably in any play that the Society may choose to present.

Last year the Society was able to get Mr. Forbes Robertson to give an address to its members and their friends; and as in his case, it appears that such an organization as this will be able to get the ablest of the professional actors who visit our city to come before us and discuss the ideals of the drama.

The drama has faithfully pictured the manners and customs of every period of history, and in fact it has portrayed every phase of national life. It reflects the influences that have moulded our civilization.

Those who are interested in fostering the study of the drama would be welcomed as members of the Society; and any information regarding membership in it can be obtained from Messrs. D. H. Telfer, H. J. Towerton, A. M. Munro, or S. R. Hosford.

A. M. MUNRO.

Collegium Agricolarum

On Saturday, Oct, 12th, the sunburnt members of the Collegium assembled for the first time in the new term. Mr. Jno. Blackmore, the president, occupied the chair, and as farmer Nelson had not yet arrived, W. S. MacDonald was appointed as secretary *pro tem*. The Freshman who desired to become members of the Collegium Agricolarum, were next introduced by their friends to the President and the assembly. Those having the proper qualifications were to be formally admitted as members the following Saturday.

The Assembly was next favored with an address by the President. For the benefit of the Freshmen, he gave a brief outline of the history of the society, its aims and its place in the University. He then dwelt for some time on the programme for the coming year. It was to consist of speeches and debates, and the president hoped that everyone would do his best whenever called upon to take part in any of these. He gave the Freshmen a hearty welcome and then closed with the remark that they never should forget the farm.

The society had its origin in an incident at one of the receptions of last year. It so happened that a number of farmers' sons were thrown together in one corner of the room. As is usual with farmers, at such a time, all felt bored and depressed until the refreshments were served. This brought about a rapid change, "their spirits rising through eating as some men's do through drinking." A lively discussion then ensued over a suggestion made by one of the party, as to the advisability of forming a farmer's society among the students, something along the line of cooperative societies in the Western provinces.

Through the efforts of Mr. Blackmore and others, arrangements for such an organization were soon completed.

Immediately after the Christmas holidays, a short constitution was drawn up by a committee. This committee defined the qualifications requisite for membership, the number of officers and their duties, and a general plan of procedure. With slight modifications the assembly adopted the constitution as drawn up by the committee. The qualifications for membership were most difficult to decide upon. However, after much thought and discussion had been spent upon the matter, the following qualifications were agreed upon: (a) All students are eligible whose parents are farmers and who spend their time on the farm during the summer, (b) whose parents have been farmers during some part of their lives and who have thereby learned the art of Agriculture.

The officers were to consist of a president and a secretary. A committee of three was to be appointed whose duty it was to outline the programme for the year and see that it was carried out. The constitution further provided that the president could call on any member to act as chairman during a meeting, and also that each member must be responsible for the carrying out of some part of the programme.

The function of the society was to be, not so much entertainment as education. It was recognized by the founders that the problems confronting the western farmer of to-day were numerous and of great importance, not only to himself but to other citizens as well. It therefore appeared that weekly discussions of their various problems would be most beneficial to all. It was thought that discussions would arouse the interest of those who hitherto had given no consideration whatever to the farmer's position in society, and at the same time would give them practice in public speaking. These are the chief aims of the Collegium.

The position of the farmer in relation to the rest of society has undergone a great change within the last generation. Thirty years ago the agriculturalist was looked upon as a backward member of society, conservative, with little education. He look-

ed upon all innovations in machinery and methods as injurious. He despised scientific farming. A graduate of an agricultural college was looked upon as a curious and useless individual, he was a man whose head was filled with queer notions, and who could tell wonderful tales of things called Chemistry and Biology. He might be able to study and read books, but he was helpless when it came to handling the plow or pitch fork.

But as we have observed, a change came. The gradual increase in wages forced the farmers to use more and more machinery. With the continuous improvement of farm implements new methods had to be adopted. That these might be successful they must needs be scientific. Thus even the most prejudiced had to acknowledge the pre-eminence of scientific farming. So be able to farm scientifically, higher education was required. This enabled the farmer to see what position he held in society and what part he played in its progress. He began to see the results of the combinations of capital and labor, and in order not to be completely at the mercy of these, especially of the former, began to reflect. As a result we have the co-operative societies of Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba. To make these successful, it is necessary to understand the problems that face the farmer of to-day, and in order to make these intelligible to others, proficiency in public speaking is most essential.

Therefore young and old members of the Collegium Agricolarum, it is your duty to further our interests. It is the duty of each to take some part in the programme; at least that part which the committee expects you to take.

Some of the members have already volunteered to give addresses on different subjects.

If you cannot give us an address, at least help the thing forward by your presence.

Philosophical Society

Another important step in the organization of the student body of the University is the formation of "The Philosophical

Society''. Acting on the initiative of Dr. MacEachran, those interested in philosophical study met together at the close of last term and drew up the constitution of the new society. This was briefly as follows: Aim of society is to stimulate interest in philosophical subjects by means of papers, discussions and reports on investigations. Membership is open to members of the Senior College, to Graduates and to the Faculty of the University and its Affiliated Colleges. A nominal membership fee of 50c is charged.

Half of the meetings of the Society are open to the public, while the other half are confined to members.

Members are requested to invite the public to the open meetings.

The officers of the society for the Session 1912-13 are as follows: Honorary President, Prof. J. M. MacEachran; President, Mr. James Adam; Vice-President, Mr. E. T. Mitchell; Sec.-Treasurer, Mr. W. F. Dyde. Executive Committee: the officers ex-officio, Dr. Fairley and Mr. A. E. Exall.

Public Lectures. October 28th, The Philosophy of Bergson, Professor J. M. MacEachran. November 25th, The Philosophy of Shakespeare, Prin. S. W. Dyde. February 24th, 1913, Problems of the Cell and Protoplasm, Professor F. T. Lewis. March 24th, A Philosophy of the Hellenic Spirit, Professor W. H. Alexander. April 14th, Some Aspects of Modern Astronomy, Pres. H. M. Tory.

Meetings of Members: October 14th, The Supermoralism of Nietzsche, Mr. James Adam, B.A. November 11th, Lucretius: Philosopher and Poet, Mr. A. E. Ottewell, B.A. December 9th, The Philosophy of Ibsen's Dramas, Mr. W. F. Dyde, M.A. February 10th, 1913, The Subconscious, Mr. E. T. Mitchell, B.A. March 10th, The Will to Believe, Mr. A. L. Carr, B.A.

Varsity Glee Club

La Musique, c'est toute.

An enthusiastic meeting of all those interested in the Varsity Glee Club assembled in the Physics Laboratory on Friday, October 4th. In the absence of the President, Mr. Nolan took the chair. Nominations for the various offices were called for. The meeting elected W. F. Gillespie to the office of president; Mr. Appleton as vice-president; Mr. Robinson as librarian, and Mr. Marshall as secretary-treasurer.

Discussion was then called for in regard to financial matters, and the students expressed the desire to meet all obligations by their own efforts, and Dr. Tory offered financial backing as far as it was needed.

Last year was the first of the Glee and Dr. Tory was kind enough to engage Mr. Vernon Barford, A.A.G.O., organist and choirmaster of All Saints Anglican Church. The club was responsible for the expense of music only. The standard of the work done was very promising. A number of the choruses were studied from those selected for the Alberta Musical Festival. The Club appeared only once before the public—at the Conversat. A concert at the end of the term was planned but, on account of some misunderstanding, it was delayed until too late.

This year the Executive expect to be in a position to offer one or two concerts; indeed one will be put on, in all probability within six weeks. I trust that it will receive good support so that the Club will make itself worth while and fill its place in college life.

All members of the University, Alberta College, or Robertson College and special students are eligible and a hearty invitation is extended to all interested to attend the weekly rehearsals. If there are any tenor voices lying around, kindly crate them carefully and send them to the Secretary.

Every man who can sing at all is urged to join in and help to make the Glee one of the most flourishing societies in the student life of "Alberta".

The Literary Society

The Literary Society of the University of Alberta under the leadership of H. G. Nolan is once more under way. An interesting and extensive programme has been drawn up and it would appear that the coming year will be one of the best in the history of the ever popular Lit.

A meeting was held during the first week in October for the purpose of electing the executive. Miss H. B. Montgomery was elected Vice-President and the Representatives elected for the different years were First Year: F. A. Perraton. Second Year: Miss A. Rutherford. Third Year: R. J. Gaunt. Fourth Year: H. J. Dean.

Meetings were held during the first two weeks in October for the purpose of re-organizing the Glee Club and Orchestra. Officers were elected for both these organizations, practices were arranged for and everything is well under way.

The regular meetings of the Literary Society will begin during the first week in November and will be held every two weeks on Friday evening. The Friday nights coming between the regular meetings will be devoted to debating and will afford excellent opportunities to develop material for the Inter-Year and the Inter-Varsity debates.

One of the features on the Lit's programme this year will be Theatre Night. But it is not our intention to follow the example of the Lit in previous years and attend a production put on by some company in Edmonton, but with the assistance of the Dramatic Society, the Glee Club and the University Orchestra we intend to put on a production of our own. It is also our intention to procure an Edmonton theatre for the performance and a rattling good programme combined with all the fun and merriment of a College Theatre night should make this evening one of the most successful in the programme of the Literary Society.

The University Orchestra

At a meeting held on Wednesday' October 9th The University Orchestra was re-organized for the coming year. The meeting was well attended with H. G. Nolan, President of the Literary Society in the Chair. The following officers were elected, President Mr N. F. Graham, Leader Mr H. C. Graham, Sec. Treas. Mr Leaver. With the large increase of students we have this year, there has been a large addition to the musical talent and we sincerely hope that during the year we will have many opportunities of hearing the University Orchestra.

"BACK".

When the "founts" begin to bubble
 And the profs begin to gubble
 Comes the time we feel the trouble
 Ain't it Si?

For we've lived within a hovel
 With neither song nor novel
 And we plied the pick and shovel
 You and I.

So they make us feel splenetic
 Those figures Geometric
 And those laws of Force electric
 Don't they Si?

But we don't care how we do it,
 We've *got* to wiggle through it,
 Yes! that's the way we view it,
 You and I.

So while the sages prattle
 We'll fight the winter's battle
 Trusting Fortune's fickle rattle,
 Si and I.

W. F. G.

Our Alma Mater

On every side to-day we hear the cry that this is a practical age and men or institutions must be content to be judged by their real contribution to the world's work. In general we have no quarrel with this doctrine, though we might be inclined sometimes to dispute accuracy of the standards by which some would measure the extent of such contributions. However, in so far as the University of Alberta is concerned, judged even by the most utilitarian standards, we believe she is justifying her creation and continued existence.

As soon as our Province was organized the Government of the day with commendable foresight not only proceeded to lay broad and deep the foundations of the Public School System, but also to buttress by providing for a university where educationalists could be trained to man that system, and citizens of every occupation could be prepared for highest usefulness. The early history of our Alma Mater is already an old story. Beginning the Session of 1908-8 with forty students and four professors, classes closed in 1911-12 with one hundred and eighty-five students and fifteen instructors, while for the year we are now entering upon in the Faculty of Arts and Science, already two hundred and thirty students have signified their intention of attending. A faculty of Medicine will be organized very soon. At the time of writing, twenty-four instructors are at work and this number will be largely increased before the year is over.

Twenty-two graduates have gone out owning Alberta as their Alma Mater to uphold her reputation throughout the Province and the classes are increasing almost by geometric progression.

A number of new departments have been organized, this session which commend themselves particularly to those of a practical turn of mind. For the first the chair of Biology is filled and that by a man of very wide reputation in this line, who will give particular attention to the various plant diseases affecting the grains and vegetables of the province. We have,

also, a professor of geology of extensive training and practical experience who will be prepared to deal with problems arising in connection with our mineral resources. Laboratories are now equipped where assaying, testing, etc., can be done so that any work whatever of this nature need no longer be sent out of the province. During the past summer the testing machine was kept almost continuously at work testing cements, stone, brick, etc., which were used throughout the country.

A department of extension has also been organized with the purpose of assisting the thoughtful and ambitious citizens who wish to help us studying the problems of the day to secure the greatest possible amount of assistance at least trouble and expense to themselves.

For the housing of our rapidly increasing activities and growing student body, extensive building operations have been necessary. The second large residence, Assinaboia Hall, is rapidly nearing completion. This will furnish temporary quarters for the Library and Offices of Administration as well as number of class rooms and accommodations for about eighty students. A central heating plant is being installed adjoining the new dining room and gymnasium building. Owing to an unfortunate delay of nearly two months, for lack of building material, these structures were not completed for the opening date as planned but are now being pushed to completion with all possible speed and will be in use at an early date.

Meanwhile the students have not been remiss in their part of the work of progress. Athletics are in full swing, a rugby game has been already won, doubtless the first of many victories. Literary activities are showing signs of vigorous life and in every direction signs of the aggressive optimism peculiar to the West are manifesting themselves.

Great things have been accomplished, greater are still to be achieved, now is the time for every student to get in and do his best for the institution we all love as our Alma Mater.

A. E. O.

The New Additions to our Staff

Once more it becomes our pleasant duty to record some of the evidences of the rapid growth and development of our University. But four years since, forty students and four professors constituted the University of Alberta: Since then the study body has grown to a registration of between two hundred and fifty and three hundred students while the growth in the teaching staff has been correspondingly rapid. This year, no whit inferior to others, has brought to our halls many talented lecturers from the most famous seats of learning. All have had brilliant and distinguished careers as students, so that we have every reason to believe that they will "make good" in this young and vigorous university.

FRANCIS J. LEWIS, F.L.A., D.Sc., professor of Biology, is a distinguished graduate of the University of Liverpool. For three years he sat under J. B. Farmer, one of the most distinguished economic botanist of this generation. Professor Lewis is a member of the General Committee of the British Association for the Advancement of Science. As a teacher he has proven himself particularly effective, while his own contributions to scientific knowledge stamp him as one of the most brilliant of the younger botanists. He has already published twenty-three scientific papers, many of which have appeared in the proceedings of the Royal Society of Edinburgh.



FRANCIS J. LEWIS, F.L.A., D.Sc.

R. W. BOYLE, M.A., D.Sc., professor of Physics, is a distinguished graduate of McGill University, where he received his D.Sc. degree as a result of published research in the Department of Physics. After graduating, he was granted one of the Exhibitions founded by the commissioners of the Exhibition of 1851 which gave him three years study abroad. These were spent mostly in England, studying under Sir J. J. Thompson at Cambridge and Professor Ernest Rutherford of Manchester University. Mr. Boyle's researches were published in the proceedings of the Royal Society of London in the *Philosophical Magazine*.

JOHN A. ALLAN, B.A. Ph.D., lecturer in Geology, is also



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a distinguished graduate of McGill. Dr. Allan took his first degree in 1907, specializing in Geology and Mineralogy under professor Frank D. Adams, D.Sc., F.R.S., one of the most eminent geologists in America. After graduation Dr. Allan spent four years working in the Geological Department of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, during three years of which he was assistant in the department. During six summers Dr. Allan was in the employ of the Geological Survey of Canada while three of these summers he spent in charge of

a party in the field. This work was almost entirely in Western Canada and the last three years of it were spent on the Western slope of the Rocky Mountains. His report of this work will be sent to the World's Geological Congress meeting in Canada next summer.

DR. S. W. DYDE, M.A., D.Sc., L.L.D., special lecturer in Philosophy of Education and Principal of Robertson College is so well known that any introduction would be superfluous. The University of Alberta is indeed fortunate that he has been able to spare time to deliver a course of lectures in that institution.

IBRAHIM F. MORRISON, B.Sc., has been appointed lecturer in Civil Engineering. Mr. Morrison, before coming to Alberta, was assistant in the Engineering Department of The Massachusetts Institute of Technology, from which he graduated. The special field in which he distinguished himself was structural designing.

M. W. DUDLEY WOODHEAD, B.A., who has been appointed instructor in Greek, is a graduate of Oxford University where he has had a splendid career as a student. Mr. Woodhead is one of the youngest members of the staff and comes well recommended from the ancient seat of learning from which he graduated.

Mr. A. E. OTTEWELL, B.A., secretary of the New Department of Extension, is a distinguished graduate of the University of Alberta. It will be remembered that he took the gold medal in Classics last year.

CHARLES A. ROBB, B.Sc., (McGill), M.Sc., (Mass. Inst. of Technology) has had a student career of high distinction. At both of the Institutions from which he holds degrees, Mr.



IBRAHIM F. MORRISON, B.Sc.

Robb was appointed lecturer in Mechanical Engineering, while he comes to us with high recommendations from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology where he was instructor for two years. Mr. Robb was, for some years, associated with Robb & Sons, engine makers of Nova Scotia and has wide experience in shop-work practice.



CHARLES A. ROBB, M.Sc.



Mr. A. D. COWPER, M.Sc.

Mr. A. D. COWPER, M.Sc., instructor in Chemistry, is a graduate of the University of London. Mr. Cowper worked under Sir W. Ramsay, England's greatest professor of Chemistry.

The first University Service of the Session will be held November 17th.

Y. M. C. A.

To every man the question of religion is at some time a vital problem and must be settled in one way or another. For most educated men a highwater mark in their religious difficulties comes while at college. The average man has to cut many old associations in order to devote himself to the attainment of a higher education. This education brings to him a teeming host of new ideas and perhaps undermines some beliefs which he has heretofore considered fundamental religious conceptions. In short, if he does not wish to leave the problem in a state of chaos, he must think for himself, and think hard.

The Y.M.C.A. does not pretend to be able to solve this problem for any man; every man must find his own place and work in the world. To arouse in students an interest in this vital question and perhaps to suggest a solution of it, all the men are invited to attend weekly Bible Study groups. These groups will convene on every floor of Athabasca Hall and in the city on both sides of the river. The Freshmen will meet in one of the class-rooms.

Religion is vital only as expressed in conduct. Therefore the Y.M.C.A. is arranging for work of the nature of classes of foreigners, boys debating clubs, etc., to be directed by students. Every student is urged to undertake some definite responsibility. Aside from the value of the work done, the activities have the distinct advantages of bringing the worker no material gain and of entailing some sacrifice to himself.



We greatly appreciate Mr. Harlow's efforts in the production of the New Hand Book of which we are justly proud.



Mr. H. D. Robertson, student secretary of the National Council, will be with us at the end of the month.



Our missionary, Mr. Wallace, of Tokio, will be with us at the end of this month or early next month.

Around the Corridors

"Reflections on the Existence of a Freshmen"

"Freshmen exist"—Quotation from "Problems of College and Campus." The above quotation should cause some profound thinking amongst the student body. As a class yell (repeated six times with fiendish glee) for the Sophomore Class, we think it might become of some practical value.

The teleological necessity for the existence of a Freshman has still to be demonstrated. Meanwhile the following theories have been advanced:

(a) "A priori the whole existence of a Freshman should be perpetual apology for the mere fact of his existence."—Public Opinion.

(b) "Freshmen exist for the benefit of Sophomores". Theory advanced by Stonewall Jackson in his encyclopaedic volume on "Worms, and How to Treat 'Em," Chap. X. Though the learned and versatile author advances many excellent reasons in support of his statement, we find them decidedly inconclusive, inasmuch as we have many friends among the Junior and Seniors.

(c) "The sole end of the existence of a Freshman is to make goo-goo eyes at a waitress." This extraordinary theory advanced and practised with remarkable pertinacy by an obscure scribe suffering from the appellation of S—th in an excruciatingly humorous pamphlet entitled "Novel Navigations of a Nasal-Organ" or "Is Everybody Happy?" created a storm of indignant dissent amongst all classes. To us it seems that "For a Freshman, waitresses and other members of the opposite sex simply have no existence."

(d) "Freshmen exists in order to be public nuisances." T—e.

"A Freshman exist in order to be licked into a slight resemblance of a gentleman." (Paraphrased from "Caustic and its Curative Properties" by Prof. A.).

We have coupled these two apparently contradictory theories as we are decidedly interested in the problem of their reconciliation. They open up a very debatable field, but we are at present inclined to favor the latter theory as its exponent in a recent public lecture delivered a crushing blow to the exponent of the "nuisance" theory. T—e is just recovering from a severe attack of nervous prostration.

(e) "Freshmen exists for the sake of *work*."—Profs of University of Alberta,

"Freshmen exist for the humorous section of the Gateway."
—Hum. Ed., etc., etc.

So many theories have been advanced in order to justify the existence of Freshmen that the mind reels in considering their magnitude. For our own part we are not going to bother our heads over the problem any longer. *Can* the existence of a Freshman be justified anyway? To us it is still an open question. It's up to the Freshmen themselves to do their own justifying.

A. E. In all

Our New Librarian

FRANK G. BOWERS, B.A., was educated at King's School, Chester, from which school he went to Oxford where he took honors in Classics and Modern History.

For eight years he taught in Kingswood school, Bath, England. Then he became head master at Queen's College, Nassau, Bahamas.

From that place he moved to Toronto whence he came to Edmonton where, during the last few years, he has worked in the Civil Service.

The Initiation

As Seen by a Freshman

It happened on a Monday, that day above all others when least expected.

So quickly and thoroughly was it carried out that the Freshmen in residence were bound hand and foot and stored away in the corridors, before they really knew just what had happened.

While the "Sophs" were acting as hosts to the non-resident freshmen, some of these already captured, regained their senses, and in a very short time had freed themselves. There was a mad rush at the guards, one of the Freshmen succeeded in reaching the hall at the head of the stairway, and a desperate encounter ensued. The guards finding the "freshie" a little too fresh, called for help, and re-enforcement came in the form of Shorty Towerton, who (by the way) has been practising rugby, and seeing a chance to make a sensational tackle, he took a ten foot dive at the shanks of the offending one, bringing him successfully to the floor, amid applauses from the gallery. This is just one of the many incidents which happened in the corridor.

A very amusing thing happened at the front door, when one of the Freshmen was so taken by surprise, that he thought his time had come, and beseeched his captors on bended knees to send a lock of his hair to the fair lady. After a brief consultation it was decided that this last request should be granted. The prisoner was then sent to join his brethern.

After all were captured they were assembled in one of the class-rooms where a few of the bad ones were subdued with the hose. It was from this room that the prisoners were taken separately before the Great Tribunal and judgment passed on them. Some were accused and sentenced for that most criminal offence of seeking for knowledge; some for resisting the Sophomores, and others for neglecting the barber.

Punishment was first inflicted in the hall, but on account of a leakage in the bath, it was transferred to the open air in



THE INITIATION

front of the building where the ladies had the privilege of watching the ceremony.

The scene that created the greatest applause was the submerging of the freshest of the freshies, who took to the water like a fish, but perhaps not as graceful.

Now comes the most pathetic and heart-rending account of the Ma-ma's little curly-headed boy. Having been accused of nearly every crime that it is possible to imagine, he was sentenced to the first degree then, refusing to take the oath, he paid the penalty of being gently submerged in aqua. His hair was also an object of worry to his captors and as someone came forward with the horse-clippers he was promptly shorn of his locks. It is said that he has provided himself with a wig, but this statement is unreliable.

After the criminals had received their punishment, they were clothed in robes of white—and to prevent the possibility of mistaken identity between them and angels a little "two-in-one" was applied to their physiomy, They were then tied together in pairs with a long rope and the procession started down town headed by the curly-headed boy, or, to be more correct, the curl-less headed boy bedecked in a star-sprangled costume and a logging chain around his neck which was held by two stalwart "Sophs" who seemed to relish their position very much. This gruesome procession passed through the Alberta College, then wended its way down Main street and, after being supplied with apples by the local merchants, boarded a street car and returned to the University where activities ceased.

The Sophomores are to be congratulated on the perfect way in which the initiation was conducted. They were divided into groups and each group had its special work to perform, which was carried out without any apparent clash.

F. A. P.





Looking Around

It is easy to perceive the obvious. No seer-like vision is needed to see that which looms large before the public gaze. To peer, however, into the future, securing the tendency of human activities, nay more, to consciously plan so as to shape those activities is a power apparently given to the few.

The sightseer who arrives in Edmonton to-day, and is rapidly driven by motor car along the asphalt streets of the South side to the University, does not see the mind processes which brought about its location here.

Doubtless he exclaims: "How beautiful! What a splendid site! Why, that hill with the river valley on two sides might 'have been made for it!'" There were a few men who foresaw this outburst of admiration years ago, but the crowd were blind.

The twin turrets of Alberta College, flanked on the north west by an increasingly improving array of University buildings, stand guard over a vastly different scene to that which met the eye when their last coping stone was laid two years ago. A wilderness of trees, broken by a few acres of hay land, lay then between the College and the city. These were evidences of development, it is true. a few lines of clearing rectangular in shape were, with truly western audacity, pointed out as streets; and on the remoter edges a few daring spirits had ventured to erect a house or two. To day, things are different. The sound of the hammer has been (and is yet) heard. Broken rows of varicoloured dwellings have arisen with bewildering rapidity, wherever enterprising civic fathers have laid down "modern

conveniences''; and we are glad. "More power to ye" say we: but we cannot refrain from wishing that it would all be done at once.

There is no doubt much that is fascinating in the malside-scopic changes of western city life and we are often exalted with the thought of being "In at the beginning." "Pioneers of empires yet to be;" yet we might be forgiven perhaps, if occasionally we sigh for the repose of older and more settled conditions.

Apropos of all this Alberta College has taken thought and added a cubit to its stature—rather, the College Board saw the need of more room and built a story and a half above the west wing. We feel that the College has received additional dignity as well as more room. Long life to A. C.! We are proud of it.

Incidentally it cannot be said of the building of these halls of learning, as is reported of Solomon's temple "that there was neither hammer nor axe, nor any tool of iron heard in the house, while it was in building.

Unfortunately for distracted students we live in the age of Capitalism' where expense is reckoned and not in the days of slave labour. However! the aforesaid feeling of exaltation comes over us betimes: we are pioneers, so with the light of enthusiasm in our eyes and the ends of our thumbs in our ears we apply ourselves to our books.

New Equipment

We face this academic year with some noteworthy additions to our college equipment, Miss Burkholder, B.A., B.Sc., is Lady Principal, Miss M. V. Hicks, to the department of Elocution and Mr. F. S. McCall, B.A.' as registrar have been added to a staff of professors of which we older students are already justly proud. Of Miss Burkholder we have heard many eulogies; Miss Hicks comes to us from the old college where her work among us in former years was highly appreciated: Mr. McCall

was and is one of ourselves whom we esteem worthy. We take upon ourselves the privilege of extending to these new members of the staff on behalf of the student-body a hearty welcome.



The two extra stories on the West wing have provided additional accommodation for twenty-nine persons in single rooms, bringing the housing capacity of the building up to 135.



The improvements on the campus are very much appreciated by the student body, Hitherto a good football field within easy reach has been "a consummation devoutly to be wished," now it is a visible reality.

Enrollment

The Registrar informs us that there are now in residence 120 students, besides members of the staff, while the books show a total enrollment of 130. The classification is as follows: Arts & Science 41, Theology 21, Matriculation 52, some overlapping accounting for the discrepancy in figures.

REAL LOGIC

"Have you a piece of toast in your pocket?" said an inmate of an asylum to a visiting physician.

The physician answered that he did not, but asked the fellow what he wanted with toast.

"You see," said the poor fellow, "I'm a poached egg and I want to sit down."

SURE.

"What is home without a mother?"

"An incubator, I guess."

Athletics

Sports are in full swing on the A. C. campus. Thanks to the unfailing energies of the President of our A. A., and the support he has received from the College Board and our Principals, we have a football ground, a cricket pitch, three excellent tennis courts, and a hand-ball alley.

Soccer has been in full swing for two weeks and we expect to put out a strong team for our first match on Tuesday Oct. 15th, against the Green and Golds. Cricket is also receiving much attention and already we can recognize budding Jessops and Haywards, Brearleys and Hirsts. The fielding displayed is magnificent and we hope to be able to record a catch in the next issue of the Gateway.

The delightful "Love" game is in full swing and even so early in the student year there are sings of "spring fever." We must congratulate the president of the A. A. for having secured strong posts for the tennis nets as we have observed that they are an excellent means of support when two players, one of the stalwart order and one of the glass case species, happen to rest awhile.

The hand-ball enthusiasts have at last got busy and have been testing their palms on the wee ball.

Owing to the extension of our building the gymnasium is not yet in order for games, but it will be open in a few days and we expect to put two basket-ball teams in training at once for the league matches to take place this winter.

We have been planning a little ahead with our rink this year. It is to be extended to a length of 175 feet and a breadth of 75 feet. Grading operations are now almost completed and we are prepared for the appearance of old Jack's crystal face.

Our Rugby team has made its debut, and, in their first game with the High School, although our men were beaten by 23 points to 5, we were not disappointed with the play. Nearly all the players are green to the game but, notwithstanding this fact, they managed to prevent the High School players from doing any damage in the last quarter of the time. We are not at all down-hearted.

About the Freshmen

Many types make a world. Our own miniature planet, the halls of A. C. possesses this qualification, at any rate: diversity of type. Into this small world; by wisdom, decked; by knowledge, upholstered and by learning, adorned; come many who now essay to dive for the first time into the sea of Erudition. Let us mark them as they plunge.

THE ORACLE

Pedigree unknown, but has a strong strain of the grama-phone in his blood. Has a marked habit of "butting-in." Hoarse voice, fresh manners. "Good 'evens!"

THE ABSENT-MINDED BEGGAR

A dreamy youth with copious hair. Wanders quite a lot. Frequently visits wrong classrooms. 'Sings' in a monotone. Rejoices in the name of S——.

SWEET AUBURN!

From England 'don 'cher know'. Some star at cricket. Noted horse-trader and driver of same. Innocent, but will change. Fresh from the circus, (oh! I beg your pardon) circuit. R. I. P.

HEADWARDS

So-called owing to the mop-like covering of his head. Evidently used to the prairie. Wears very heavy boots, raising occasional noise. Full of 'nerve,' that will soon evaporate. Has come to Alberta to be finished!" So say all of us.

And there are many others. Some are grave and some are gay. All alike have qualities of freshness but their passage

through Stygian terrors will alter all that. And here, in this aforesaid sea we leave them, trusting that, though some be submerged, others may reach the shore in safety, and that all alike may find either among the coral and seashells on more solid soil their final habitat and home.

A good social time in the College Assembly Hall brought to a pleasant climax the events of Initiation Day. The Freshmen we entertained by the Senior Students, an excellent programme being followed by refreshments.

The following constituted the programme:

S. S. Peat—Senior Stick in the chair.

A. C. Orchestra (7 pieces)—“Love’s Old Sweet Song.”

Address—Dr. J. H. Riddell.

Address of Welcome—John G. Rogers.

Solo by Radcliffe Clegg—Plains of Peace.

Duett—Mr. and Mrs. N. F. Priestley—What are the Wild Waves Saying.

Reading, by F. Forster—When Rube Played, and Casablanca.

Address—J. McP. Waggett.

Recitation, Miss Gladys Watson—The Soul of She.

A. C. Octette—Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep.

Reply to address of welcome—By J. W. Nightingale.

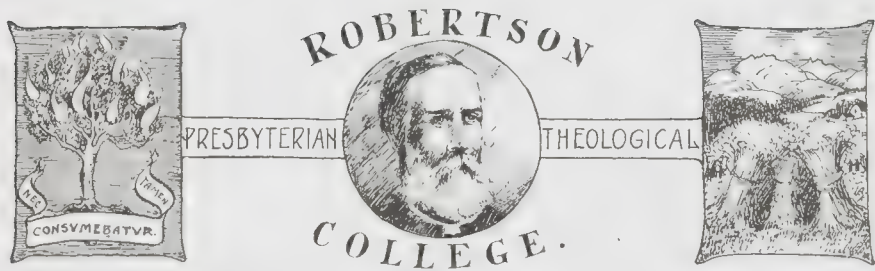
Violin Duett—Miss Port, Mr. Lund—Old Melodies.

Recitation—By Cyril Easom, The Ballad of Blasphemous Bill.

DEEP ENOUGH

“Remember, my son, that beauty is only skin deep” warned the sage.

“That’s enough for me” replied the young man, “I’m no cannibal.



In General

So far, the cares of office sit lightly—somewhat too lightly, if the truth be told; for when there is little to edit, the burden of more or less original composition falls upon us. We confess that our natural genius leans rather toward editing. At the age of three we conceived a passion—more specifically a taste—for fat blue pencils, and we have had a weakness for interjections, editorial and otherwise, for a considerable period. We admit that these characteristics have brought trouble in their wake: we recognize the probability of their continuing to do so. Still we seek to give them scope, trusting that they will, during the next seven months, find sufficient rope wherewith to hang themselves, and thenceforth trouble us no more. With this preamble, we raise the editorial hat to our our lamented predecessor, taking care to retain the wadding that prevents its resting on our shoulders when replaced, and begin,

Robertson has gained a new building, equal in size and more than equal in convenience to the old one. The teaching staff has doubled in numbers, and a proportional increase in the student body is confidently expected. A full year's work in Theology is to be provided; and, in addition, two outside lecturers of repute will give short courses in special subjects.

We heartily extend a provisional welcome to the newcomers, both lecturers and students, hoping that our Presbyterian dourness and the initiatory rites will not make this seem hypocritical to either, when the welcome becomes a fact. Further comment would be premature, for, although twelve students are already at work and a new prof. is reconnoitring from the neighbouring bush, lectures will not begin till the sixteenth of October.

It goes without saying that this new life will not come without growing pains. Robertson will necessarily be less like a household and more like a college. And though this change be for the better, and even though our family life had a certain turbulence, doubtless something will be lost, we shall go forward, touched with regret.

To add to our troubles, one of our family has fallen away. A. E. Hayes has gone to flaunt his assortment of pennants in Athabasca Hall. He might, of course, go to a worse place; and we reflect that while we have lost an industrious editor and an overflowing well of wisdom, the University has gained a qualified musician. We pause here to decline responsibility in case the last two words should be maliciously construed.

Apropos of music, it is rumoured that the neighbors of Robertson have requested that the musicians should be domiciled.

(a) as far east as possible.

(b) as far west as possible.

For the sake of the musicians, we trust that the neighbors will be too selfish to compromise on the alley-way between the two buildings.

Strangely enough, we dare. Remembering the effect of college on certain men of our acquaintance, we almost marvel at the lack of attention paid to theological views in the *Ubi Sunt* poems.

Illustrative of which we beg to cite, without prejudice to our regard for Alberta College, the case of a Methodist student who had completed his term: In his farewell address, he dealt with the psychological effect of study upon himself, summing up in these memorable words: "When I entered this College, I was all emotion. Now, I am all intellect." We are, however, compelled to state that when, in the interests of Truth, the gentleman was placed under the microscope, his remark was found to be, like Mark Twain's account of Tom Sawyer, "some stretched."

Athletics

Rugby.

Rugby prospects this year are decidedly better than last. We have two good teams, one in the intermediate league and one in the junior. Unfortunately we have the only intermediate team in the North so our first team will probably only play two matches this season, both against the champions of the South. The junior league, however, has three teams in the North, making four matches up here and two if we win against the Southern champions. So far, our Junior team has done remarkably well and should have no trouble to get the junior cup.

Besides these matches a series of three matches has been arranged between Arts and Science. One match has been played and was a great success, especially as the rivalry between the two teams was very keen.

Varsity vs. High-School

The chief feature of this game was the pluck of the Hi-boys, the following up of Hammond and the tackling of Parsons. The game opened with Varsity against the wind. Our men were slow at settling down and though bad tackling the Hi' left half got over. The Varsity replied with two rouges in quick succession. The score would have been increased if the halves had kept well up and helped the line. However, Ritson got over with a buck, the touch being converted. In the next half we kept near their line with long punts and finally a long pass was given to Dietz who raced over the line.

In the latter half the Hi boys became tired and our superior weight began to tell. Ritson got over their line again and then both teams slackened up though Dietz got over with a fine run. Final score Varsity 22, High School 5.

Varsity vs. Alberta College

This game was very straggly and the least said the better. Although we won by 27-0, yet it was more by good luck than management that we put up that score. Throughout the game the ball was loose, the halves played too far back, giving no support to the centre, and the ball came out slowly from the scrim. However, we had more experience than the A. C.'s who are really novices at the game and have not yet mastered the knack of tackling low. If we are to win the championship much better form must be shown.

GOING SOME.

A German who had not been in this country very long walked into a drug store one day. The first thing that caught his attention was an electric fan buzzing busily on the soda counter. He watched it with great interest for some time, then turning to the clerk, said: "Py, Golly; Dats a darn lively squirrel vot you got in dere, ain't id?"

A HIGH LIVER

"They say he lives on the fat of the land."

"Yes he makes an anti-fat cure."

SUGGESTIVE.

"Did you hear about the defacement of Skinners tombstone?"

"No, what is it?"

"Someone added the word 'friends' to the motto."

"What was the motto?"

"He did his best."



A Freshman's Nightmare.

The Wauneita Society

With a speed that is characteristic of the West, the authorities of the University of Alberta carry us through the preliminaries of the registration, outlining of courses and purchasing of new books, and almost before we can sharpen our lead pencils or fill our fountain pens we are launched into the routine of term work. For the first time we miss, not a few individuals who have dropped out of our ranks, but a class year '12 is gone—to work out the motto of the Wauneitas in the larger world outside of college walls. We wish them 'God speed' wherever they may be.

The number of freshettes this year is the largest yet, eighteen. Just what stuff they are made of we have not had time to find out, but some, we know, bring from High School an excellent reputation. We welcome all to the privileges of our sorority and to the larger privileges of our University, and invite them to co-operate with us in upholding in every possible way the honor of our Alma Mater.

MISS M. A. KEELING, our new dean, is a native of Bradford, Yorks, Eng. She received her early education there, and then proceeded to Oxford, where she spent three years as a student of St. Hugh's College. After a year spent in London in training as a teacher, Miss Keeling returned to Oxford as tutor in English at St. Hilda's Hall, one of the Women's Colleges of that city. There she has passed the last four years. She came direct from one of the oldest seats of learning in the Old Land to one of the newest in the new. We give her hearty welcome!



MISS M. A. KEELING

Women Students in Oxford

I have been asked to give some account of the sort of life lived by a student at one of the colleges for women in Oxford. Of course, the student-life is, as far as study goes much the same all the world over. Opportunities for hearing the best lecturers, chances of reading in the best equipped libraries, and plenty of time for private study, these are what every university aims at giving.

A place like Oxford is singularly fortunate in the chances it gives its students of hearing lectures, not only from its own regular staff, but also from representatives of many different universities and countries. During the last few years, public lectures have been given by men as world-famous as Prof. Henri Bergson, Wilson James, Th. Roosevelt, Dr. Nansen, Dr. Sven Hedin, Sir Ernest Shackleton, and on various more or less informal occasions there has been the chance, too, of hearing men famous in all kinds of ways: Galesworthy, Shaw, Granville Barker, Baden-Powell, A. J. Balfour. This coming and going of great men is an important part of Oxford life.

It is sometimes assumed that because Oxford does not give the degree to women, she treats them badly in other respects. I do not think this is the case. All the men's colleges admit women to lectures, the Bodleian Library draws no distinction, many of the best teachers in Oxford take women pupils, and in one school, that of English Language and Literature, the lecture committee of the Board of Studies is courteous enough to consult the women tutors formally before drawing up the annual lecture list.

A girl going up to Oxford find herself a member of one of the fair women's colleges, unless she is what is known as a Home Student. She also finds that she has a tutor, who is, as it were, the point of contact between the individual student and the University.

The University and the Colleges combined supply far too much of everything, too many lectures, too many books, too many teachers, too many branches of study. All through his course the student has to select, and the tutorial system is chiefly valuable for this, that it provides personal guidance in selection. Lectures and coachings are not necessarily given by the tutor, but they are always chosen by her for each individual pupil. So it may happen some term that the tutor is not teaching her pupil at all, as she may have decided to hand her over for a change to be coached by a man or by another woman.

In other ways as well, there is too much of everything in Oxford, and clashes occur almost every day, to the great embarrassment of the catholic-minded person. The short eight-weekly terms are filled with meetings, concerts, plays of all descriptions, and it is very easy to live a most strenuous life in Oxford without opening a book. In fact many find that the vacation is really the only quiet time they can get for work.

The women students go in of course for debates, literary societies, suffrage societies and private clubs. Sometimes a year rich in dramatic talent, carries all before it and absorbs all spare energy. Societies are created and filled by each generation, which is always radiantly happy in the conviction that the old students had a comparatively poor time.

As for sports, boating is by the far the most popular, if lying full-length in a punt while somebody else does the work can be called sport. Hockey and tennis come next, and occasionally one or two students are seized with a passion for golf or riding or fencing, or a whole year wears itself out with one spasmodic paper-chase. Swimming is chiefly looked upon as a very unpleasant means to the end of boating, as Oxford is far behind even the rest of England in its knowledge of what a swimming bath should be like. For one excited week last winter, everyone was on the ice, as a sharp frost came just when all the meadows were in flood. But a continuous week's skating is very rare.

When she goes down, a girl who has taken high honours,

may seel rather aggrieved at her letterless condition and may sigh for her B.A., but if during her years at College she does anything but enjoy herself to the full, it is her own fault, not Oxford's.



The first meeting of the Y.W.C.A. of the University was held on Wednesday afternoon, October 9th, in Athabasca Hall. The meeting took the form of a reception to the new girls. Mrs. Edwards helped Miss Helen Montgomery receive the guests. Mrs. Lehman poured the tea and Mrs. Kerr cut the ices, while Miss Rutherford, Miss Lavell and Miss Falmer assisted in serving. The table was prettily decorated with red leaves, mountain ash berries and red candles, while a bright fire in the grate lent cheer to the occasion. The professors' wives were present, while the professors themselves dropped in later for a cup of tea.

A pleasant afternoon was spent in getting acquainted with one another.

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Advertising	896.50
Subs. & Sales	391.55
Cuts	82.10
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Total Receipt	1371.95

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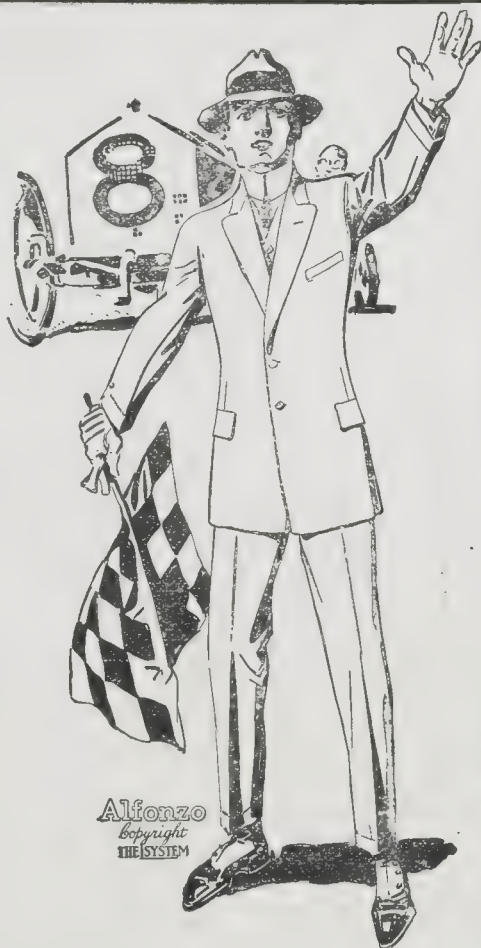
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